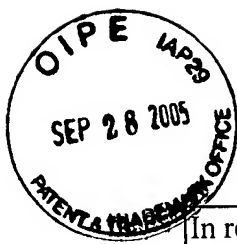


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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This submission is in response to the Requirement for Restriction, dated July 29, 2005, a response to which is due on September 29, 2005, with an extension of time of one month. A petition for a one month extension of time is submitted herewith. Prior to examination on the merits, please enter this Preliminary Amendment. An Information Disclosure Statement citing references of the International Search Report and Supplemental IDS Statement to the earlier submission by Applicant are enclosed herewith.

In that communication, the Examiner has required restriction as will be explained below.